



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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June 6, 2002

Sarah Brown, Treasurer  
Ohio State Republican Party  
211 S Fifth Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

Identification Number: C00162339

Reference: Amended 30 Day Post-Special Election Report (5/31/01-7/9/01), dated  
1/31/02

Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter is to inform you that as of June 5, 2002, the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated May 15, 2002. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by June 26, 2002. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Julie Perry on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John D. Gibson".  
John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director  
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosure



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Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A supporting Line 15 of the Detailed Summary Page discloses refunds or rebates of what appears to have been previously disclosed allocable expenses from various vendors. Please be advised that when a committee receives a refund or rebate of an allocable expense, it must be allocated between the federal and non-federal accounts according to the same allocation ratio used to allocate the original disbursement. Furthermore, the federal account must transfer the non-federal portion to the non-federal account and disclose this transfer-out on Schedule H4. Your report does not appear to disclose a transfer-out of the non-federal portion of this refund(s) or rebate(s). Please provide clarification regarding this apparent omission.

-Please provide a Schedule H3 to support the entry reported on Line 18 of the Detailed Summary Page. All transfers received from a committee's non-federal account for joint activity must be itemized on Schedule H3 regardless of the amount transferred. 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(3)(D)

-The Detailed Summary Page, on Line 18 Column A of your report, discloses \$173,608.53 in transfers from the non-federal account for joint

activity for the reporting period. However, Line 21 (a)(ii) Column A discloses \$127,819.90 as the non-federal share for joint activity for the reporting period. While the non-federal account is permitted to transfer funds to the federal account for shared activity, transfers for shared activity must be made within a 70-day time period: no more than 10 days before or 60 days after the payment to the vendor. 11 CFR §§106.5(g)(2) and 106.6(e)(2) Please clarify the nature of the transfers-in from the non-federal account.

The Commission recommends that you immediately transfer back to the non-federal account, the total excessive amount which was received by your federal account outside the 70-day time period. Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning this prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

-Schedule H4 discloses payments made to credit card companies for shared federal and non-federal activity. Please be advised that these payments must identify as memo entries, the original vendors from which you have purchased an item or service regardless of the amount. Please amend your report by providing the name and mailing address of the original vendor, along with the date, amount and purpose of each expenditure. 11 CFR §104.10.

-Your report discloses a payment(s) on Schedule C to *Hobson for Congress* and *Pryce For Congress*, which have not been recorded on a disbursement schedule. Loan payments must be reflected on Schedule B as well as on Schedule C. Please amend your report to clarify this discrepancy. 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(5)(D)

A response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designation and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

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Julie Perry  
Reports Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

